

Amendment No. 1 to SB1863

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 1863

House Bill No. 1901*

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-1511, is amended by deleting the section.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-5-106, is amended by deleting subsection (b) and substituting instead the following:

(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), the commissioner shall not grant a person, on behalf of the state board, a temporary permit to teach:

(1) A physical education class required under § 49-6-1021(e);

(2) A special education course; or

(3) A course for which an end-of-course examination is required, in accordance with § 49-6-6006.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-5-106, is amended by redesignating subsection (g) as subdivision (g)(1) and adding the following as new subdivisions:

(2) Notwithstanding § 49-6-6006 or any other law to the contrary, upon the request of a director of schools or the director of a public charter school, as applicable, the commissioner of education may issue an endorsement exemption to a teacher to teach any course or subject area, except a physical education class required under § 49-6-1021(e) or a special education course, for the 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 school years.

(3) Notwithstanding § 49-6-6006, subdivision (b)(3), or any other law to the contrary, the commissioner of education may renew a temporary permit issued to an individual pursuant to subdivision (g)(1) for the 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 school years,

except that a teaching permit issued pursuant to subdivision (g)(1) for a physical education class required under § 49-6-1021(e) shall not be renewed.

(4) At the end of each of the 2021-2022, 2022-2023, and 2023-2024 school years, the department of education shall report to the education committee of the senate and the education administration committee of the house of representatives the number of endorsement exemptions and temporary permits that were requested for the respective school year pursuant to this subsection (g) and the number of endorsement exemptions and temporary permits issued pursuant to this subsection (g).

SECTION 4. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.